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REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.

BIG BATTLE RAGING.

EXTENSIVE GERMAN RETIREMENT EXPECTED.

ENEMY EVACUATION OF ARMENTIERES AND LENS.

Paris, October 2.
A Havas message states:—General Debeney's men, in liaison with the British Fourth Army, have entered St. Quentin and pushed the enemy beyond the canal on the eastern side of the town.

Despite a stubborn defence, the French have penetrated deeply into the Hindenburg system. General Berthelot's Fifth Army has compelled the enemy to abandon high ground between the Aisne and the Vesle.

A pitched battle of extreme violence is proceeding at Cambrai. The Germans are fighting desperately and throwing in all troops available. Twelve Divisions are accumulated north of Cambrai.

Capture of St. Quentin Completed.

London, October 2.
Reuter's correspondent at French Headquarters, writing to-day, says:—The French have completed the capture of St. Quentin. The town is now fully in our hands.

Big German Retirement Expected.

London, October 2.
Reuter learns that news early this afternoon from the Western Front shows that the advance between St. Quentin and Cambrai, where the enemy's lines have been broken, is threatening his line of retreat from the Oise and St. Gobain.

In view of the loss of St. Quentin and the lines northward, a retirement of the enemy on a fairly large scale is probable. This is all that is prudent to predict at present.

There was a feeling of greater buoyancy on the Stock Exchange this afternoon than for a long time, especially in Consols and also Russian minerals and oil.

Great progress has been made between the Vesle and the Aisne. The enemy has retired to the Aisne-Marne Canal north of Rheims. The enemy has been forced back upon the river line on the whole of this front excepting a small sector four miles wide and one deep at the extreme northern corner of the canal, where the enemy is fighting on the south bank of the Aisne near Jernicourt Wood, roughly on the Rheims-Loon Road.

Germans Feeling Losses of Material.

London, October 2.
Reuter's correspondent at British Headquarters, writing this evening, says:—Although fighting blazed up this morning with great intensity, later infantry fighting decreased. Along the Cambrai-St. Quentin front, we are busy mopping up and consolidating our gains.

The Canadian attack yesterday was anticipated by a very heavy enemy assault, engaging two fresh Storm Divisions; hence the furious fighting, in which the Canadians gradually gained the mastery.

The enemy is unquestionably beginning to feel the heavy loss sustained in war materials and has for some time past employed liquid air as a substitute for high explosive.

In forcing the Beaurvoir-Wiancourt line yesterday, the English Thirty-Second Division bore a conspicuous share. Finally breaking through the last outpost of the Siegfried Line, they enabled the attack to swing northwards towards the Germans massed below Cambrai.

The statement that the Germans have set fire to Cambrai appears to be unconfirmed. It is now believed that the fire was caused by burning dumps.

In the attack along the canal bank north-west and south-east of Vendhuile our troops relieved a party of Americans who were surrounded the day before and had put up a magnificent resistance, though outnumbered. The ground was strewn with dead German.

We satisfactorily progressed eastwards in various parts of the new battlefield.

Fires in St. Quentin.

London, October 3.
Reuter's correspondent at French Headquarters, writing on October 2 states:—Whole quarters at St. Quentin are burning. Our advance units yesterday crossed the town to the eastern side. One company reached the railway station at the south-eastern corner. Fighting continued at night in various parts of the town. The ancient Town Hall is not visibly damaged; probably it was mined. It cannot yet be said that the interesting buildings in the town are beyond the reach of danger.

The battle continues north and south of St. Quentin. To the north, the French advanced towards Omissy, three miles north-east of the town. To the south they have pushed the Germans to the original Hindenburg defences. In the eastern outskirts of the town the Germans have been merely fighting rearguard and delaying actions. The town is ours.

Civilians Leaving Lille.

London, October 3.
Frontier correspondents announce that the Germans are evacuating the civilians at Lille.

Germans Evacuate Armentieres and Lens.

London, October 3.
A German official wireless message says:—We evacuated Armentieres and Lens without fighting on the night of the 1st inst. and occupied positions eastward.

Strong attacks against our news lines northward and southward of St. Quentin failed.

French local penetrations in Champagne, southward of Orfeuil, were reduced by counter-thrusts.

A Covering Fight.

London, October 3.
Reuter's correspondent at American Headquarters, writing yesterday, says:—The weather has become dry and cold, making the roads again available for traffic and transport of supplies. Enemy opposition continues, but signs are not wanting that the fight is of a covering character and that he mediates a withdrawal to a more distant line of defence.

REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.

BIG BATTLE RAGING.

A Great Victory.

London, October 2.
Reuter's correspondent at British Headquarters, writing to-day, says:—A long and bitter battle is still raging, but it has turned so definitely in our favour that it is not premature to call it a great victory, the enemy's desperate doggedness and endurance alone warding off an immeasurable disaster.

By the afternoon of the 1st inst. the Australians breached the Wiancourt Beaurvoir Line, which is the last rearguard outpost defence of the Hindenburg system, thus giving the French a flank covering for the capture of St. Quentin.

The way the whole German resistance has stiffened during the past few days is remarkable, seeming to indicate the enemy's sudden consciousness that he is fighting with his back to the wall. This is confirmed by the salliness and scarcely subdued savageness of the recent prisoners.

Our airmen dropped over thirty tons of bombs on likely spots.

This morning, the enemy opposition is increasing, as reinforcements appear in the line. The whole of the Hindenburg system below Ballecourt Tunnel is now reported in our hands. Strong patrols were working through the tunnel and many lateral galleries this morning. The Australians are exploiting yesterday's gains and are going on; likewise the English and Canadian Divisions between Le Cateau and the Senese.

As the climax of the war approaches, the fighting grows more intense and more stupendous. There never was such a searching test of human endurance. The killing pace cannot be long maintained.

German Anti-Tank Zones.

London, October 2.
Reuter's correspondent at French Headquarters, writing to-day, says General Ludendorff has issued an order for the immediate creation of a special anti-tank barrage, composed of mines and concrete obstacles on the front positions exposed to attack. It has been decided by the Germans to use mine-warfare projectiles for this purpose. One such anti-tank zone is already in existence north of Rheims and others have been identified on various parts of the front.

THE CRISIS IN GERMANY.

Bulgaria's Surrender Causes a Panic.

Paris, October 2.
A Havas message states:—The Kaiser has sent a message to the Fatherland Party and in a cry of despair asks the people to "gather around me for the defence of the Fatherland." There is panic and bluster in Germany and no alternative is open save a dictatorship, says a Junker organ. The Socialists, Radicals and some Centrists see salvation only in a popularly-elected Cabinet. All agree on one point—that Germany's military and political policy have failed.

The news from Bulgaria came like a thunderclap to Germany and caused the greatest dismay on the Berlin Bourse. There has been no worse panic since the outbreak of war. A slump occurred in all war industry stocks.

Germany has lost a quarter of a million men in a few months. The people are growing with discontent and Germany's Allies are deserting her or becoming paralysed.

Conservatives Pocket Their Convictions.

Amsterdam, October 3.
A message from Berlin states that a meeting of Reichstag Conservatives resolved to endorse their convictions and participate in a Coalition Government with a view to obtaining an honourable termination of the war.

The German press is still incredulous that Bulgaria has entirely deserted the Central Powers, professing to cling as a last hope to the results of the despatch of the Austro-Germans to Sofia.

The New Government's Programme.

Amsterdam, October 3.
The Cologne Gazette says the new Government's programme will provide for a settlement of the Eastern questions by giving the border peoples the right to self-determination.

The Berlin press announces that Herr von Payer has definitely refused the Chancellorship. The candidature of Prince Max of Baden is now favoured. The Prince has declared his willingness to accept the post conditional upon the support of the Reichstag Majority.

THE PALESTINE CAMPAIGN.

Value of the Capture of Damascus.

London, October 2.
The newspapers give prominence to the British capture of Damascus. They emphasise that it is one of the most important Turkish bases in Asia Minor and the principal supply centre for the captured Turkish Armies. They also dwell on its great historical interest and express the opinion that the capture will create an enormous impression throughout Islam.

THE BULGARIAN SURRENDER.

Austro-German Troops in Sofia.

Amsterdam, October 2.
A message from Vienna says Austro-German troops have arrived in Sofia.

MR. BONAR LAW'S SPEECH.

Paris, October 2.
A Havas message states:—Mr. Bonar Law, speaking at the London Guildhall, said justice between great and small nations must be preserved. Peace was being forged by the victorious Entente Powers.

BOLSHEVIK AGENT REACHES NORWAY.

Stockholm, October 3.
M. Livinoff, ex-Bolshevik Agent in London, said he had arrived at Christiania.

REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.

THE ENEMY BREAK-UP.

RUMOURD TURKISH PEACE MOVE.

London, October 3.
The Daily News correspondent at Zurich says Turkey has asked Germany of her determination to propose peace with the Allies. Germany, in reply, has assured Turkey of her intention to support her militarily.

THE WAR OUTLOOK.

A Warning Against Over-Optimism.

London, October 2.
While the immediate and prospective advantages of Bulgaria's surrender are fully recognised, the newspapers here are uttering warnings against over-optimism.

It is pointed out that even if the downfall of Turkey speedily follows, the hardest part of the Allies' military task would still remain.

As regards the "Parliamentarisation" of Germany, it is emphasised that the main object is to strengthen the enemy's resistance by convincing the German troops that Germany has become a free country.

Meanwhile, the enemy on the Western Front is fighting most bravely and with great determination. A continuous effort and the greatest self-sacrifice are still required to attain victory.

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

THE BATTLES IN FRANCE.

Fierce Struggle Near Cambrai.

London, Oct. 2.
Field Marshal Sir Douglas Haig states:—Southward of Cambrai a fierce struggle all day was terminated by a successful attack at dusk, whereby New Zealanders, English and Scottish troops drove out the enemy from Crevecoeur and Rumilly and established themselves on the high ground eastward and northward of those villages. Several hundred were prisoners in these operations.

The Flanders Operations.

London, Oct. 2.
There is great interest in the operations in Flanders. A French semi-official states that General Degoutte's army has been operating since Monday. Previously it acted on the left of General Mangin's army. Presumably it was sent north as soon as the Belgian-British breakthrough was effected.

Stiffer German Resistance.

London, Oct. 2.
The consensus of opinion of correspondents yesterday was that the German resistance has stiffened and the enemy is fighting most desperately in an attempt to hold vital positions. The struggle is most furious on the road to Cambrai, which the German High Command evidently considers essential to the whole line of defence. Twelve German divisions have been flung in on this sector since Sept. 27, whereof six are on a front of five miles. On the other hand the British are fighting with incomparable spirit, advancing steadily, if slower than recently. The fact that the Germans deliberately set fire to Cambrai shows that they are not hopeful of saving the town. Several papers are of opinion that in view of the wanton destruction of cities like Cambrai the Allies should announce their intention of reprisals. It is pointed out that Marshal Foch's skill in threatening the enemy with a strategic rupture at three points, namely, Metz, Central France and Belgium accounts for the enemy's apprehension of disaster and the consequent hardening of resistance. The papers deplore basing too much optimism on the surrender of Bulgaria, declaring that the task of the Allies in the west is still stupendously difficult. Similarly American newspapers are far from assuming that the war is over and urge redoubled effort, as the opportunity is ripe to completely defeat Germany on the battlefield.

A German Communiqué.

London, Oct. 2.
A wireless German official message says:—We withdrew parts of the salient lines near St. Quentin, north-westward of Rheims and westward of the Argonne. The enemy gained a footing in Ledgehem, but our counter-attack regained the eastern part. On the fifth day of the Cambrai battle we repulsed seven assaults northward of Sannoet and further south the enemy advanced beyond Abancourt and Batigny and towards Cuvillers. A counter-attack drove him back beyond Abancourt and Batigny. The enemy's assault broke down at and south of Cambrai. The enemy captured Rumilly and occupied St. Quentin. We withdrew from the Vesle, to north-westward of Rheims.

Flanders Communications Cut.

Paris, Oct. 2.
A semi-official message, after confirming that all communications in Western Flanders with Lille are cut, speaks of an enveloping movement from the north against Tourcoing, Roubaix and Lille which is becoming accentuated and incidentally mentions that the French army under General Degoutte is now operating in the vicinity of Roubaix.

TERROR ON THE RHINE.

London, Oct. 2.
The Press Bureau states that a neutral who has returned from Germany states that there is widespread terror on the Rhine owing to British raids. The central portion of Frankfurt main station is so damaged that trains are unable to enter but arrive and depart at improvised wooden platforms some distance from the station.

THE MURMAN CAMPAIGN.

London, Oct. 2.
A British North Russia official message says:—In connection with the capture of Ukhtinskaya one hundred and sixty of the enemy were killed. Southern Karelia has been cleared of the enemy except for two hundred newly arrived reinforcements which are surrounded south-westward of Ukhtinskaya.

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SERIOUS FORGERY CHARGE.

Alleged Securing of \$100,000.

Four well-dressed Chinese named respectively Liang Yang, Kih, Wong Kwong, Wei, Hui Shok Po and Liang Kan Hin were charged at the Police Court this morning, before Mr. R. Wood, with forging and uttering a forged receipt. The Hon. Mr. C. M. I. Messer, Q. S. P., prosecuted and Mr. M. K. L. defended.

The Hon. Mr. Messer, in opening the case, said that in this rather serious case he must ask for a remand. The facts were that it was a case of uttering a forged deposit receipt for \$150,000. On April 30, when the receipt deposit book was checked it was found that one of the forms was missing. On the 2nd instant, the Bank issued a receipt to the second defendant for \$150,000. Two days afterwards the receipt was presented to the Bank and payment received for it. Yesterday the lost form was produced at the Bank for payment. The first and second defendants went to the Bank and the other two remained outside. It was an obvious forgery.

Mr. Lo said that the facts of the case were rather peculiar. He applied for bail, and said that the first defendant arrived yesterday from Peking and he had no money. He went to the Bank to cash \$150,000, and thinking it was a very big sum, he took the other three defendants to accompany him. He said that the first defendant was far more guilty than the other three. He asked His Worship, in case he wished to have an early trial.

Mr. Messer said that as regards the first two defendants he knew them to be well off but as regards the other two defendants he did not know them. He asked for bail at about \$25,000 for the first two defendants.

His Worship fixed bail at \$25,000 for the first two defendants and \$10,000 for the others.

Mr. Lo said that the first defendant had wired to Peking. His Worship said that it was not necessary to provide bail in hard cash, but if any of the defendants' friends could put up security he would accept it.

His Worship remanded the case until October 10, at 2.15 p.m.

TO-DAY'S PEKING NEWS.

The following telegrams have been received from Peking:—

Premiership Problem.
Nearly all the political parties are in favour of T. Q. Kwan as Vice President, but the Premiership is still very difficult to decide.

Troops for Manchuria.
It has been proposed that the Fengtien troops in Kiangan be sent to Manchuria.

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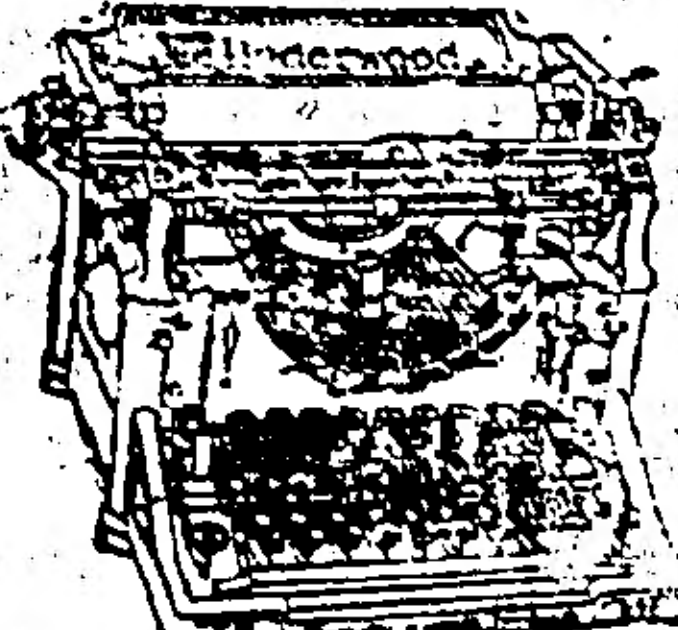
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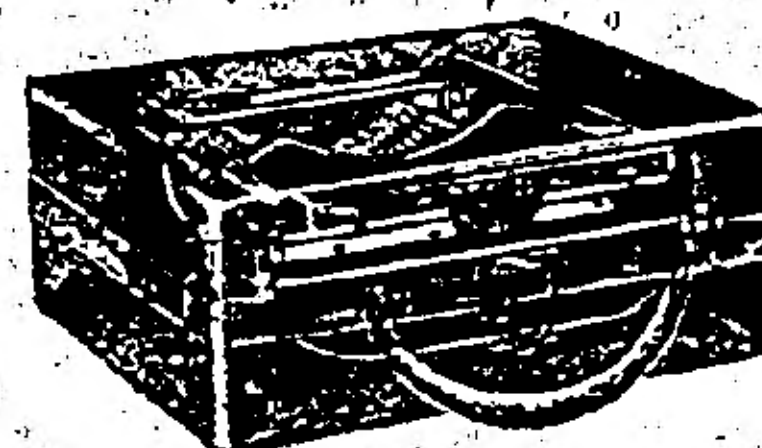
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GENERAL NEWS.

Flying Corps Accidents.
Major Baird, for the Air Board,
declined in the Commons recently,
to give the number of officers and
men of the Royal Flying Corps
killed by accident in this country
during the past six months, the
reason being that it would be
giving information to the Ger-
mans which they did not give
about themselves. There was no
justification, he added, for alarm
that there was an undue number
of accidents.

Excess Profits in Greece.
The Finance Minister states
that over £1,000,000 will accrue
to the public Treasury from a tax
which the Government has
decided to impose on excess
profits. He adds that the Govern-
ment's fiscal measures include
the taxation of earned and un-
earned income, a tax on produc-
tion, and also a tax on Greek
capital deposited in foreign
countries. Negotiations were being
carried on with that object in
view.

Queen Mary's A.A.C. Patrols.
The Bristol Police School has
been selected by the War
Office to train the Queen Mary's
Auxiliary Army Corps Patrols.
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sympathetic women ready to give
a helping hand or a word of advice
where numbers of girls and young
women are congregated together
has been amply proved during
the war. Bristol was the first city
in the provinces to establish a
school for training candidates for
posts as policewomen.

Pan-Thracian League.
A Thracian organisation has
been formed in Athens to safe-
guard the interests of the
refugees, with the title of the
Pan-Thracian League. Its main
purpose is to obtain a democratic
solution of the Thracian question
and compensation for sacrifices.
As many as 15,000 Thracians are
now in the Greek Army, and
there are also 10,000 war workers
in the Allied countries. The
League submitted to the Greek
Government a memorandum em-
bodying its programme and point-
ing out that the 250,000 Thracian
refugees in Greece represent half
the whole Greek pre-war
population of Thrace.

Southend Season's Tax.
Sir Albert Stanley, President
of the Board of Trade, recently
received a deputation represent-
ing the Borough Council and
trade interests of Southend in
regard to the increased cost of
railway season tickets. It was
pointed out that there are 10,000
holders of season tickets, and that a
large sum of money has been in-
vested in house property in the
borough, so that the additional
percentage on the tickets would
prove an unfair burden on
residents whose business called
them away daily. Sir Albert
promised that the arguments
would be considered carefully.

To Help British Music.
"I believe that Germany has
said her last word in music," said
Mr. Isidore de Lara, speaking on
British music recently. "For the
last ten to twenty years there
have only been feeble imitations of
Wagner." England had never
yet sung her song, and he believ-
ed the war had now given her an
opportunity. She had some of
the finest talent in Europe, and
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agement. Mr. de Lara is arrang-
ing a series of twelve British
concerts, to encourage young
composers and artists, and appeal
to all who are anxious to break
away from the fetters of the Ger-
man art to give him their support.

Concrete Floors.
In the House of Commons
recently, Mr. Bruce, Under-
Secretary for the Home Depart-
ment, replied to a question by
Mr. Percy Harris concerning the
damage caused on the occasion of
an air raid in January at a London
printing establishment, where
many casualties were caused. Mr.
Bruce said that an inquiry had
been made by technical experts
appointed by the Committee on
Scientific and Industrial Re-
search. The building had con-
crete floors over the basement,
none of which was pierced by the
bomb, the point of entry being
a pavement light. The damage
therefore afforded no reason
for doubting the utility of con-
crete floors as affording reason-
able protection against bombs
and incendiary bombs.

GENERAL NEWS.

More Money Needed.

Speaking at a War Savings meeting of the legal profession in the Middle Temple, Sir Robt. Kindersley said the sum raised by continuous borrowing during the six months ended March was \$691,684,000, or at the rate of \$1,884,000,000 a year. That was a big sum, but not big enough. If we raised the same amount during the coming six months it would have a deficit of \$746,000,000. Obviously some portion of that money would be borrowed from America and other sources, but it was essential that the country should very considerably increase its effort. If we did not pay for the war as we went along, our industrial and social effort after the war would be seriously interfered with.

Uncensored Leaflet.

A number of members of the Society of Friends write dissociating themselves "completely from the decision arrived at by the yearly meeting of the society on Wednesday, May 22, when it endorsed the action taken by the Service Committee of the society in printing and publishing an uncensored leaflet contrary to Regulation 270 under the Act for the Defence of the Realm. As loyal and law-abiding citizens we recognize that under the circumstances in which our country is now placed some limitation of our civil liberties is inevitable and should loyally be acquiesced in by all sections of the community." The signatories to the protest include: J. B. Braithwaite, Percy Oorder, Samuel Dorchester, Chas. J. Drmond, John P. Gillett, Edward Hodgkin, Alfred Holmes, and H. M. Wallis.

Women as Lawyers.

Speaking at the Tricadere recently, Lady Mackworth pointed out that though there was a sufficient amount, but not too much, of unskilled labour to meet the demand, there was a serious difficulty of obtaining educated and skilled labour. If women would make up their minds to move and follow the work instead of expecting the work to come to them, they would be fulfilling a national need. Miss Helen Normanton, in speaking of the legal profession for women, said the way to open this profession to women was a short and simple one now that women were enfranchised. "When you are called upon to exercise your vote at the next election, if your candidate is a lawyer, ask him how he dare ask for your vote if his profession is not open to women. Don't have him!" There was a big field, added the speaker, for the woman lawyer in all questions respecting guardianship of children and divorce, and, now that women were engaged so largely in industrial work, in the large number of cases which would arise during the next few years under the Workmen's Compensation Act.

Extraordinary Incident at Japanese Barracks.

A very unfortunate affair is reported from Kikats, Fukuoka Prefecture. About 30 soldiers in one of the barracks there were ordered to see that all communications addressed to them bore the number of the company to which they belonged and other particulars. It seems, however, that this order was not carried out, and a number of postcards had been delivered which did not bear the particulars required. By way of punishment, it is reported, the military authorities held back delivery of the cards. This made the soldiers indignant, and they apparently used strong language to express their grievances. According to the Matsushita, about 70 soldiers, housed in an adjoining building, thought their comrades had broken out into mutiny, and armed with fixed bayonets they rushed into the barracks. Intrusion made the already agitated soldiers still more indignant, and it is said a regular fight ensued between the two groups of soldiers. In the course of this three men were seriously and eleven others slightly injured. When the incident occurred is not stated, but it is added that a court martial is now inquiring into the affair.

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A Futile Search.

It is understood that the Dutch Government has decided to take no further steps to discover the wreck of the Koningin Regentes. The history of the search for this

vessel presents some interesting features. Some days necessarily elapsed before the tug Zeland set out to search for the torpedoed vessel, and it was not long before she had to return owing to defective wireless. About this time the Germans revoked the Zeland's safe conduct, and she was obliged to wait until another safe conduct was granted. Rough weather came on and the Germans then re-granted the safe conduct, but the Zeland's expedition was necessarily further postponed until calm weather returned. The Zeland ultimately left port on June 29, the Koningin Regentes having been sunk 23 days before, and, although the search was prosecuted under the most favourable conditions, no traces of the vessel could be found. The question of instituting a further search by sweeping operations was considered, but abandoned on the ground that they were extremely unlikely to prove successful.

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THE BIG OPIUM CASE.

Protest Against a Government Vote.

At a meeting of the Finance Committee of the Legislative Council yesterday, there was an Unofficial protest against the item of \$151,039.70 representing the costs incurred by the Government owing to their intervention in an action originally commenced by the Official Receiver under the Companies Ordinance, i.e., Original Jurisdiction Action No. 61 of 1914.

The Hon. Mr. A.G.M. Fletcher, presiding, said the vote had already been explained by H.E. the officer administering the Government.

Hon. Mr. Landale:—Was all this amount applied to that one case?

The Chairman:—Yes, the whole of it, and I will add that there is a sum of \$830 45 which I will ask leave to add to this minute in respect of the costs of the criminal proceedings, which I think were taxed only this morning.

Hon. Mr. Landale:—But before incurring so large an expenditure would it not have been possible to lay the matter before the Council?

The Chairman:—It was hardly realised I think that the expenditure would come to anything like this sum. It was, as you know, a very long case, and the Government did not anticipate that it would intervene. When the shareholder putting up the money ran out of funds it was anticipated that the remainder would be very short, and we were advised that the prospects of success were considerable.

The Hon. Colonial Treasurer:—The difficulty in connection with bringing it before the Council would have been that the Council could not have properly discussed the case while it was still going on.

Hon. Mr. P. H. Holyoak:—Was the Government aware that the Official Receiver had brought this action?

The Chairman:—No, they were not at first. The Official Receiver, was an officer recently appointed, and he has a large discretion in the matter. The ordinary rule is that the Official Receiver does not bring an action in his own name unless the funds are ample to cover him. Of course when he began this action he had a very large sum of money and he very reasonably expected that the sum would cover any possible costs.

Hon. Mr. Holyoak:—H. E. the Officer Administering the Government referred to a very large sum of money which had already been spent. Can you tell us what that amount of money was?

The Chairman:—I think the shareholder spent out of his own pocket about \$125,000.

Hon. Mr. Holyoak:—Don't you think that at that time the matter might have been brought before the Council before embarking on a further outlay?

The Chairman:—As the Treasurer says, it was rather a difficult matter to discuss in Council. It was a very urgent matter, the action was going on from day to day, and as His Excellency pointed out, the Government did not come into this action except at the wish of the Court. The Government began criminal proceedings. If the Government had known that they were going to take up this action they would very probably have looked at the question of money, but of course to institute criminal proceedings there would be no question of cost.

Hon. Mr. Holyoak:—What safeguard is there against a similar thing happening?

The Chairman:—I think this is a peculiar case and is not likely to happen again.

Hon. Mr. Landale:—Cannot a vote of Council be taken, seeing that a large sum of money is involved?

The Chairman:—Yes, that can be done, certainly.

Hon. Mr. Landale:—I think a protest against the expenditure of so large a sum of money without reference to the Legislative Council a vote should be taken.

The Chairman:—I might point out that the Government felt itself driven to take proceedings on the evidence put before it and they decided that the proper course was to take criminal proceedings. They had no option

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The First Day's Results.

Yesterday was the first day of the Victoria Recreation Club's annual aquatic sports. There was a fairly good crowd of interested spectators. The star event of the day was 440 yards Championship, which however, attracted only three starters. At the start Logan was easily leading the rest. He kept this lead, gradually increasing it at every turn. Marcel gave up the race at the fourteenth length, so the only competitors remaining were Logan and Barros. Barros, in spite of being tired, kept pluckily up and succeeded in finishing. The distance separating him and Logan was a length and a half. Both came in for a loud cheering. The results were as follows:—

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but to take them and they took those proceedings and asked the Court to stay the civil proceedings. The matter went before the Full Court, which expressed a very strong opinion against the criminal proceedings; and they were not prepared to stay the civil proceedings. The Government felt that they were bound to follow the wishes of the Court and so take what was the only course open to them.

Hon. Mr. Landale:—I am not questioning the decision of the Government. What I object to is the expenditure of public funds without reference to the Legislative Council. The only way to register a protest against it is to vote against it.

On a vote being taken the item was approved by seven votes to four, the two Chinese members voting with the Government.

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City Hall Work Party.

During the month of September the City Hall Work Party packed the following:—15 mosquito nets, 6 dressing gowns, 13 small pillows, 3 reversible bed-jackets, 5 pairs slippers, 3 milk covers, 13 belts, 1 pair operation stockings, 3 bed-jackets, 31 duster handkerchiefs, 9 scarabbers, 68 suits pyjamas, 80 shirts, 37 vests, and 9 comfort bags which were kindly given by Mrs. Barnett.

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SHANGHAI	Taisang	Tues., 8th Oct. at daylight
HAIPHONG	Taksang	Wed., 9th Oct. at 7 a.m.
MANILA	Tuhsang	Fri., 11th Oct. at 3 p.m.

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SHIPPING-NEWS.

German Shipping Appointment.

The German Government proposes to appoint the Hamburg shipowner, Herr Richard G. Krogmann, to the post of Imperial Commissioner for the distribution of German tonnage.

Service in U.S. Ships.

Replying to Mr. Stewart, who asked if obstacles are put in the way of British shipmasters or officers of the mercantile marine obtaining passports with a view to accepting positions on board vessels under the American flag for the duration of the war. Sir Leo Chiozza Money writes:—It is a fact that passports have been refused to a small number of officers of the British Mercantile Marine who desired to proceed to America for the purpose of obtaining employment in American ships. The decision to refuse such passports was reached in view of a statement by the American Government to the effect that they would not call upon British officers and engineers for service in American ships. It would be understood that with the prospective increase of British tonnage it is very undesirable that experienced British officers should leave this country, even to assist our Allies, if the latter are able to provide their own officers, as we are assured is the case.

Information for Shippers.

Shippers of merchandise have recently experienced difficulty in getting in touch promptly with steamship lines to which vessels have been allocated, and which are loading for different ports, as vessels have been assigned to agents who formerly did not handle trade to the different parts of the world in which they are now interested. This made it necessary for shippers to be constantly on the lookout for information as to vessels which were loading for different foreign ports. A plan had been worked out whereby only members of the Produce Exchange had access to this information. As a result of the efforts of the Merchants' Association, the Shipping Control Committee has announced that, in addition to the posting of the information in the Produce Exchange, the announcements will also be made in the Maritime Exchange, and will appear in the columns of the Journal of Commerce. This will enable shippers generally to get promptly in touch with steamship agents to which vessels have been allocated and are loading for foreign ports. —New York "Evening Post."

New Freight Classification.

Proposed changes in the classifications of freight rates in both carload and less than carload lots were opposed recently by manufacturers and shippers representing concerns outside of New York, at the hearing before C. J. Colquhoun, examiner of the Interstate Commerce Commission at 244 Madison Avenue. The principle contention was that under such reclassification, the general increase of 75 per cent. in all classified and commodity rates as ordered tentatively by the Commission, would, in effect, result in a much greater increase because, with the raising of classifications, the rates would be automatically increased, in addition to the 25 per cent. increase. With an increase in all rates, most of the concerns said they would find it difficult to continue in business. George Kain, traffic manager of the Hershey Confectionery Company, of Hershey, Pa., asked the reason for the reclassification of candies and other confectionery. His concern, he said, made only milk chocolate and by-products of chocolate, which had, he said, been under the same general classification for twenty years. He could see no reason, especially with an increase in taxation, why the rating should be changed. He called attention to the fact that the candy business had been penalized by the Food Administration, probably more heavily than any other industry. The limitation of sugar had caused a heavy falling off in production because sugar was the base of all the products of the trade. His concern, he said, had been forced to raise prices 25 per cent. without any increase in freight rates. If the classification were raised and the production limited by sugar shortage, the trade would find it difficult to meet overhead, labour, and other charges, and realise any profit. For the next six months, he said, they must operate on a 50 per cent. loss of their sugar capacity. This would make it a serious problem for them to make ends meet. He also said that the confectionery, popcorn, and other shippers' trades should be the same as the highest.

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

(Continued from page 1.)

AN AUSTRIAN DODGE.

London, Oct. 2.
The Press Bureau announces: A Serbian semi-official message states that the news of the rising of the Serbians, Croats and Slovenes should be received with great reserve, as it is feared that the Austro-Hungarians are inducing the police to excite peaceful inhabitants in order to furnish a pretext to confiscate their property and imprison them in Austria-Hungary.

THE SURRENDER OF BULGARIA.



From the above map it will be seen how, in consequence of Bulgaria's surrender, Turkey is cut off from her Allies.

THE TRIBUNAL.

This Afternoon's Cases.

The Military Service Tribunal met again this afternoon.

An Insurance Case.

In the case of Mr. F. A. Dumbarton, Commercial Union Assurance Co., the Chairman (Sir W. Rees Davies) said it was stated when he was before the Tribunal on the last occasion that he was in charge of the Hong Kong office. It was also stated that the business was in the interests of the Colony. In a long communication which had been received it was stated that a satisfactory substitute could not be found in Hongkong because insurance required expert knowledge. The Tribunal understood that Mr. Trenchard Davis and Mr. Arnold from Shanghai could not take over the business here. From a later letter which had been received from Mr. Trenchard Davis it was stated that the insurance business was in the interests of the Empire and Colony, and Mr. Dumbarton was the only man engaged in insurance work in Hongkong who had not been exempted. Mr. Davis stated that he had telegraphed home for a substitute but he received a reply stating that it was impossible to send another man out. The head office advised the appeal and pointed out that insurance business was of national importance.

Mr. Trenchard Davis, who was present, said if he was a fit man Mr. Dumbarton could go. In answer to a question put by the Chairman, Mr. Davis stated that he had interviewed Mr. Tester who formerly managed the business here, but he refused to do it, saying he could not do the work as well as his own. He offered to attend their office before 10.30 in the morning and after 6 o'clock in the evening, but their business could not be carried on like that. Major Morgan said he did not object to exemption until Mr. Davis came.

The Tribunal granted a further six months' exemption.

Mr. J. D. Birrell.

In the case of Mr. J. D. Birrell, of Gerin, Drevard and Co., the Chairman said the Tribunal understood he was granted temporary exemption for him to make arrangements. He was the only British subject in the firm of Messrs. Gerin, Drevard and Co. A letter which the Tribunal had pointed out that he had charge of the whole engineering business of the firm. A further letter stated that the firm had tried to get a substitute but without success. The Company pointed out that a large contract had been entered into with the Dairy Farm Ice and Cold

Storage Company. The firm pointed out that if Mr. Birrell were taken it would not be able to carry out its obligations.

In answer to the Chairman, Mr. Birrell stated that he was manager of the whole office in Hongkong.

The Chairman:—I understand from your form you have no personal desire to go on war service?—No, sir, I have not. Major Morgan claimed non-exemption.

In reply to Col. Passby, Mr. Birrell said that as regarded the erection of the plant at the electric works, he would not be responsible but he would be responsible to see that it worked properly.

The decision of the Tribunal was that no further exemption be granted.

Mr. Birrell gave notice of appeal.

Total Exemption.

The next case considered was that of Mr. E. V. Mitchellmore of Messrs. Whitesway Laidlaw & Co., The Chairman referred to a letter which had been received setting forth that the business had been received stating that the business was essential by the Home authorities. A large number of the staffs were on active service. The letter further stated there was a reduction of 50 per cent. The company paid a large amount in taxes to the Imperial Exchequer.

Mr. Mitchellmore held that his position was similar to that of Mr. Mackintosh, who was recently exempted. There was no one to whom he could hand over the business. Even when Mr. Hidden did return he hardly thought the Company would invest him with power of Attorney if he (Mr. Mitchellmore) were taken.

Total exemption was granted.

A University Case.

In the case of Mr. F. M. H. Holman, Hongkong University, the Chairman said that Mr. Holman was lecturer on education and the Tribunal came to the conclusion there was nothing to discriminate between his position and that of the rest of his colleagues who had been exempted on Imperial grounds.

Mr. D. K. Moss.

Dealing with the case of Mr. D. K. Moss, of Alexander Ross and Co., the Chairman referred to a letter which had been received in which it was stated that the staff had been seriously depleted. It was also pointed out that the business was in the essential interests of the Colony.

Speaking on behalf of the firm, Mr. Moss said he was essential, but as regarded his personal feelings he was neutral.

Total exemption was granted.

The Tramway Company.

In the case of Mr. G. Henderson, of the Hongkong Tramway

A WANCHAI RAID.

Chinese in Possession of Revolvers.

Three Chinese were charged on command at the Police Court this afternoon, before Mr. E. D. O. Wolfe, with being concerned in an armed robbery at Wan Chai. Sergeant Cockle prosecuted and in giving an outline of the case said that the three men were charged on three counts, with committing two robberies and with being in possession of arms. On September 5 an armed robbery took place at 42, Cross Street. Six days later, acting on information received, he (Sergeant Cockle) with an armed party went to No. 13, Keswick Street. On entering, the Police found the second defendant sitting on a bed and the third defendant was standing beside him. In his left hand he had a revolver and in his right hand a handkerchief. On being searched, six rounds of ammunition were found in his left pocket. The first defendant was arrested half an hour before the Police went to Keswick Street. Owing to the failure of identification, the Police were forced to withdraw the charge of armed robbery but they would charge them for being in unlawful possession of arms.

In reply to questions put by His Worship, Sergeant Cockle said that the revolver was not loaded. The Police were armed, as they knew with what persons they had to deal. The defendants had no chance to use the revolver, as there were a lot of detectives and their revolvers were in their hands.

A Chinese detective, in giving evidence, corroborated Sergeant Cockle's statements and said that he went to the house and saw the second defendant with a revolver. He immediately grabbed the revolver. He could not say whether it was loaded or not. A struggle ensued and then some of the Police party took the revolver out of the defendant's hand. At the station he saw that it was not loaded. He knew very well that the purpose of the Police in raiding the house was to arrest some persons who were concerned in the Wan Chai armed robberies.

Sergeant Cockle and another Chinese constable also gave evidence.

The case is proceeding.

OVERCROWDED THEATRE.

Sequel to Confucius' Festival.

The manager of the Po Hing Theatre, Yau-mat, was summoned before Mr. E. D. O. Wolfe this morning with obstructing the gangways of the theatre.

Defendant maintained that the theatre had been let to the Confucius Association for dramatic performances and the responsibility was theirs.

Sergeant Grant stated that the gangways of the theatre were blocked up by over 200 seats and the Police took three quarters of an hour to clear the place.

His Worship said the case was a serious one. Hundreds of lives would be involved in case of an outbreak of fire. Defendant would be fined \$50, or two months' hard labour.

For the Wounded.

The American Red Cross has received from Queen Mary's Needlework Guild a large case of surgical dressings and bandages made by the Guild, which has been presented to the American Red Cross to be forwarded to Siberia in connection with shipments now being made by the latter organization.

Co, the Chairman said the Tribunal understood that Mr. Henderson was a traffic inspector and his knowledge could only be gained by long experience.

Major Morgan claimed non-exemption.

No exemption was granted.

HONGKONG DEFENCE CORPS.

Administrative Orders issued to-day by Major H. A. Morgan, Administrative Commandant, state:—

Strength.

No. 992 Sapper W. V. Doherty was enrolled on 28.9.18 and posted to Eng. Coy. No. 691 Spt. J. S. Johnston, Eng. Coy. and No. 802 Pte. P. A. Rees, Sig. Section, are permitted to resign, on leaving the Colony, to date from day of departure.

Promotions.

Engineer Company.—No. 111 Corp. A. Davidson to be Sergt. dated 26.9.18. No. 119 Corp. E. J. Surmen to be Sergt. dated 27.9.18. No. 125 2nd Corp. A. Stalker to be Corp. dated 28.9.18. No. 237 2nd Corp. J. Stewart to be Acting Corp. dated 27.9.18. No. 167 2nd Corp. G. Grot to be Acting Corp. dated 28.9.18. No. 253 Sapper B. R. Wood to be 2nd Corp. dated 26.9.18. No. 190 Sapper W. Lyle to be Acting Lance Corp. dated 26.9.18. No. 232 Sapper F. Soutar to be Acting Lance Corp. dated 27.9.18. No. 193 Sapper D. McCrae to be Acting Lance Corp. dated 28.9.18. No. 135 Sapper D. A. G. Alison to be Acting Lance Corp. dated 28.9.18.

"D" Company.—No. 883 Sergt. W. Budge to be Company Sergt. Major dated 1.10.18. No. 864 Lee. Sergt. B. W. Grey to be Sergt. dated 1.10.18. No. 267 Corp. E. Duncan to be Sergt. dated 2.10.18. No. 774 Pte. D. K. Blair to be Sergt. dated 3.10.18. No. 898 Lee. Corp. W. F. Fincher to be Corp. dated 1.10.18. No. 897 Lee. Corp. W. Logan to be Corp. dated 2.10.18. No. 868 Lee. Corp. T. Neave to be Corporal dated 3.10.18. No. 889 Lee. Corp. T. Petrie to be Corporal dated 4.10.18.

Attached.

The following are attached to the Engineer Company for D.E.L. duties, from 10th October, 1918:—

"A" Company.—No. 320 Pte. Davison, A.C. No. 313 Pte. Rose, W. No. 307 Pte. Fleming, T. G. No. 816 Pte. Harling, H. R. No. 326 Pte. North, R. A. C. No. 975 Pte. Sutherland, P. D.

"B" Company.—No. 535 Pte. Findlay Miller, J.

Transfer.

No. 756 Pte. R. E. O. Bird is transferred from the Mounted Section to "D" Company, dated 1.10.18.

Leave.

No. 213 Pte. B. Pasco, Eng. Coy., is granted leave for the duration of the war, to date from day of departure. Pte. E. A. Bam, "D" Coy., is granted 2 months' leave from 9.10.18. Pte. D. G. "B" Coy., is granted 6 weeks' leave from 9.11.18. Pte. N. D. Pallen, "A" Coy., is granted 4 months' extension of leave from 2.10.18.

Artillery Orders.

Orders for Artillery Company by Captain J. H. W. Armstrong, V.D. state:—Parades at Belvedere Battery:—

Monday, 7th Oct.—5.30 p.m. Left Half Coy. Fall drill.

Tuesday, 8th Oct.—7.30 a.m. Right Half Coy. New Layers' Class only.

Thursday, 10th Oct.—5.30 p.m. Left Half Coy. New D. R. F. Class only.

Friday, 11th Oct.—7.30 a.m. Right Half Coy. Fall drill, 5.30 p.m. Left Half Coy. New Layers' Class only.

Engineer Orders.

Orders for Engineer Company by Captain F. W. James state:—

4th to 11th October, 1918:—D. E. L. duties:—Parades as per rosters posted at Headquarters. Engine Drivers at 5.45 p.m. Electricians at 6 p.m.

Officers next for duty:—Belvedere, Lieut. Holl. Lyceum, Capt. James. Stonecutters, Lieut. Stevenson.

Instruction for higher ratings and N.C.O.s and men of the Infantry Battalion attached for duty:—Class 1, at 5.30 p.m. on Mondays and Thursdays for all who have not passed the "Proficient" rate (17) examination. Class 2, at Belvedere at 6.30 p.m. on Tuesdays and Fridays for all N.C.O.s and men of higher rating:—under Staff Sergeants, Overseers and Parsons, R. E. Sergt. Day, R. E. D. C. Class 3, at

Lyceum at 6.30 p.m. on Tuesdays and Fridays, under Q. M. S. White, and Staff Sergt. Barclay, R. E.

Infantry Orders.

Orders for Infantry Battalion by Major H. A. Morgan state:—

"A" COMPANY.

Tuesday, 8th Oct.—5.30 p.m. No. 2 Platoon on Polo Ground. Fall in at Cricket Club at 5.10 p.m. and proceed by tram to Causeway Bay. First Discipline training. Dress, Drill order with pouches and dummies.

Thursday, 10th Oct.—5.15 p.m. No. 4 Platoon at King's Park Range. Annual Musketry Course, Part 3, Practices 15 and 16. Dress, Drill order with pouches.

Friday, 11th Oct.—5.15 p.m. No. 3 Platoon at King's Park Range. Annual Musketry Course, Part 3, Practices 13, 14 and 19. Dress, Drill order with pouches. 5.30 p.m. No. 1 Platoon on Murray Parade Ground. Squad Drill. Dress, Drill order.

"B" COMPANY.

Monday, 7th Oct.—5.00 p.m. No. 5 Platoon, Nos. 1 and 2 Sections at King's Park Range. Annual Musketry Course, Part 1, Practices 1 and 2. Dress, Drill order with pouches.

Tuesday, 8th Oct.—5.30 p.m. No. 5 Platoon, the following will parade on the Cricket Ground to complete Fire Discipline Test:—Corp. Dowling, Lee. Opl. Annett, Ptes. W. E. Roberts, W. Sinclair, C. A. M. Smith and F. Allen. Dress, Drill order with pouches and dummies. 5.15 p.m. No. 8 Platoon (N.C.O.s and men as detailed by Platoon Commander) at Kowloon Docks, T.E.T.

Wednesday, 9th Oct.—5.00 p.m. No. 5 Platoon, Nos. 3 and 4 Sections, at King's Park Range. Annual Musketry Course, Part 1, Practices 1 and 2. Dress, Drill order with pouches. 5.15 p.m. No. 7 Platoon at Headquarters. Quarry Bay men will parade at 5.30 p.m. T.E.T. Dress, Drill order with pouches and dummies.

Thursday, 10th Oct.—5.15 p.m. No. 8 Platoon (N.C.O.s and men detailed by Platoon Commander) at Kowloon Docks, T.E.T.

Friday, 11th Oct.—5.15 p.m. No. 7 Platoon (as for Wednesday).

MACHINE GUN COMPANY.

Tuesday, 8th Oct.—5.00 p.m. Nos. 2, 3, 4 and 5 gun teams at King's Park Range. Annual Musketry Course, Part 3, Practices 15 and 16. Dress, Drill order with pouches.

Friday, 11th Oct.—7.10 a.m. Beginner's Class at Headquarters. 5.00 p.m. No. 1 gun team at King's Park Range. Annual Musketry Course, Part 3, Practices 13, 14 and 19. Dress, Drill order with pouches.

MOUNTED SECTION.

Monday, 7th Oct.—5.30 p.m. At Jockey Club Stables. Dress, Drill order.

Thursday, 10th Oct.—5.30 p.m. At Jockey Club Stables. Dress, Drill order without rifles.

SIGNALLING SECTION.

Tuesday, 8th Oct.—5.30 p.m. At Headquarters. Dress, Drill order.

RECRUITS.

Monday, 7th and Friday, 11th Oct.—5.30 p.m. Recruits of all units except "D" Company, on Murray Parade Ground, under Sergt. Oxberry (Monday) and Edmonds (Friday). Dress, Drill Order.

Detail.

On duty 7th October, No. 2 Platoon (4); 8th October, No. 3 Platoon, Mounted Section and Signalling Section (4); 9th October, No. 4 Platoon (4); 9th October, M. Gun Company, (14); 10th October, No. 5 Platoon (4); 11th October, No. 6 Platoon (4); 12th October, No. 7 Platoon (4); 13th October, No. 8 Platoon (4); 13th October, No. 1 Platoon (14).

Orderly Officer for week ending 13th October, 2nd Lieut. F. H. Thomas. Next for duty, 2nd Lieut. E. Sutherland.

Cadet Orders.

Orders for Cadet Company by 2nd Lieut. J. E. W. Beard state:—Strength.—Cadet Howell is permitted to resign, on leaving for England to date from day of departure.

Parades.—Monday, 7th Oct. 5.15 p.m. Nos. 1 and 2 Sections at Headquarters. 5.15 p.m. Band practice at Headquarters. Wednesday 9th Oct.—5.15 p.m. Nos. 3 and 4 Sections at Yau-mat Football Ground. 5.15 p.m. Band Practice at Headquarters.

DISHONEST MOTOR-BOAT BOY.

Theft of a European's Property.

A Chinese, employed by Mr. D. K. Moss, of Alex. Ross and Company, as engineer on board his private motor boat, was sentenced by Mr. E. D. O. Wolfe this morning to six weeks' hard labour for stealing a clock, a barometer, four tins of kerosene oil and one tin of gasoline, valued at \$36.15, belonging to the motor boat.

Inspector Sim stated that the defendant was the senior of two men employed on board the boat. On the 30th of September after the defendant had disappeared his assistant reported the theft to his master. The defendant was arrested near the gate of Tai Koo Dockyard and the stolen articles were recovered from a pawnshop.

Mr. Moss said the defendant was employed by him two years ago. During his witness' recent short absence from the Colony defendant was not very regular at his work and was deeply involved in gambling debts. Defendant was paid \$27, including the wages of his assistant. On the 15th of last month he was given \$8 to carry out repairs on the boat, which had not been done. Defendant also had drawn \$19.50 of his wages in advance and his assistant complained that he had not been paid for two months.

The pawn-broker, for receiving the stolen articles without making the necessary enquiries, was ordered to return the articles to Mr. Moss.

SHANGHAI GERMAN ROBBERS.

Chinese Accomplices Sentenced.

The case has been concluded at the Mixed Court, Shanghai, in which two Chinese, one of whom was formerly an interpreter at Wayside Police Station, were charged with complicity in the armed robbery for which three Germans were recently sentenced by the Mixed Court to five years imprisonment each.

At a previous hearing, Mr. W. S. Fleming urged the Court to deal leniently with the prisoners and yesterday again renewed the plea asking that they be dealt with by being released on probation.

Mr. G. H. Wright, who appeared for the prosecution, said he did not wish to press for a heavy conviction, as it was possible that these two prisoners might have been influenced by the others concerned. At the same time he thought the case was more serious than counsel for the defence appeared to think.

The Assessor, Mr. Tenney, said the Court was of opinion that the case was too serious to be dealt with in the way suggested by Mr. Fleming, especially as one of the accused was an interpreter at the Wayside Police Station. The latter would be sentenced to nine months' imprisonment and the other to three months.

GOLF.

The Championship Competition.

The Competition for the Championship of the Royal Hongkong Golf Club will be played over the Main Course at Fanling commencing on Sunday 13th October. The dates of playing the succeeding rounds will be announced later. Not more than one round will be played in any one day.

The competition is open to members and subscribers with handicaps of 10 and under or to others in the discretion of the Committee. It will be decided by match play, preliminary rounds 18 holes, final 36 holes. Entries, to be made at Happy Valley, close on 9th October.

Best Bogey Round. Mr. E. V. D. Farr has kindly offered a silver cup for the best Bogey Round on handicap terms over the main course at Fanling in the six months ending 31st March, 1919; open to members and subscribers. Any number of cards may be taken out. Entrance Fee \$1 per card, to be devoted to War Charities.

In the event of a tie, the final will be decided by match play.

INTERPORT LAWN BOWLS.

Two Wins for Hongkong.

On the 23rd ult., Shanghai and Hongkong met on the Banks of the Shanghai Lawn Bowls Clubs, the terms being:

Hongkong—W. Russell (skip), W. G. Garrard, O. Bond, and D. Harvey.

Shanghai—A. Taylor (skip), J. Sheridan, J. D. Gaines, and G. Danlop.

The game was of a rather one-sided nature. At the eleventh end Hongkong met on the Banks of the Shanghai Lawn Bowls Clubs, the terms being:—The S. L. B. O. players then found their form and in the last seven ends scored no less than 12 points to Hongkong's 3.

The game resulted:—Hongkong—26 points. S. L. B. O.—15.

Another Match. The Hongkong players on the 27th ult. visited the Junior Golf Club at Hongkew Park, and a very interesting game resulted in a win for the Crown Colony representatives by 21 points to 19.

The following were the teams:—Hongkong—W. Garrard (skip), W. Russell, O. Bond and D. Harvey, 21.

Junior Golf Club.—D. Mo-Ahsier, G. B. Stormes, G. Marshgreen and W. R. Kinnipple, 19.

On Saturday evening (the 23rd ult.) the visiting bowlers were entertained to dinner at the Shanghai Club, the function proving a great success. Over 70 guests were present. Mr. O. M. Bain, presiding in his usual efficient manner. During the course of the evening speeches were made by Messrs. Pratney, H. G. Summe, J. D. Gaines, W. Gerrard (Hongkong) W. Laidlaw (Hankow) and others. A musical programme was rendered in which the "big four" from Hongkong did their part. Altogether the evening was a historical one from a bowler's point of view and congratulations are due to those responsible for the arrangements in which there occurred no hitch.

TO-DAY'S NEW ADVERTISEMENT

FOURTH LIBERTY LOAN.

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Closes in America 19th October.

Applications will be received by THE INTERNATIONAL BANKING CORPORATION up to 15th, October on the following terms:—

10%	on application
20%	" 2nd NOVEMBER.
20%	" 19th DECEMBER.
20%	" 16th JANUARY.
30%	" 30th JANUARY.

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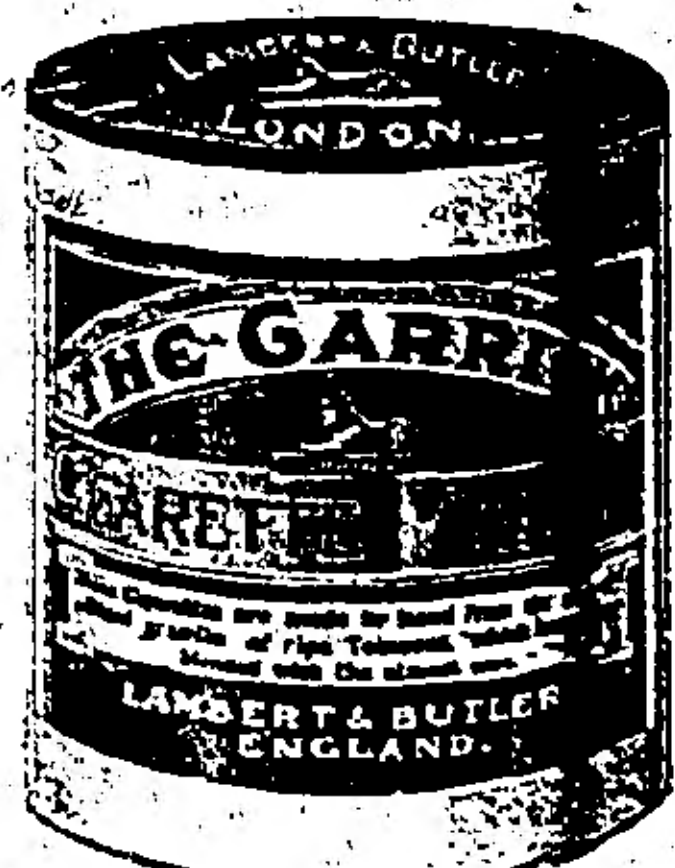
Particulars and forms on application.

Hongkong, 15th October, 1918.

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PUBLIC AUCTIONS.

THE Undersigned has received
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TUESDAY.

the 8th October, 1918,
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TRIPLE EXPANSION ENGINE.
Cylinders 20" 32 1/2" 53"
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together with shaft and propeller

Also
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NOTICES.

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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE TWENTY SECOND
ORDINARY ANNUAL
MEETING of the SHARE-
HOLDERS in the above Com-
pany will be held at the Com-
pany's Town Office, 2 Lower
Albert Road, Hongkong, on
SATURDAY the 5th day of
October, 1918, at 12 NOON for the
purpose of presenting the Report
of the Directors and Statement
of Accounts to 31st July, 1918.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS of
the Company will be CLOSED
from 27th September to 5th
October, 1918, both day inclusive.

By Order.

M. MANUK,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 26th September, 1918.

G. R.

Any European, Non-Asiatic or
Indian desiring to leave the
Colony should apply in person
at the Central Police Station
between the hours of 9 a.m. to
1 p.m. and 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. daily.
Applicants will be required to
produce Passports or identifica-
tion papers.

All persons with certain excep-
tions who remain in the
Colony for more than 7 days are
required to Register themselves
under the REGISTRATION OF
PERSONS ORDINANCE 1916.
Forms of Registration giving the
particulars required may be
obtained at the G. P. O. and at
all Police Stations.

The Penalty for non-com-
pliance is a fine not exceeding
\$50.

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POST OFFICE.

No unofficial letter addressed to
Abadan, Ahwas or Mohammara in the
Persian Gulf may exceed eight ounces in
weight.

The Parcel Post Service to the Portu-
guese Colonies in West Africa and to
Spanish Offices in Morocco (except for
Prisone, s. d. War) is suspended.

Correspondence addressed to enemy
subjects in China, Siam, Siberia and
Portuguese East Africa, Persia and Mor-
occo cannot be transmitted.

Parcels for Greece cannot be accepted
for transmission unless accompanied by
a special permit issued by the British
Minister at Athens.

Uninsured parcels for the United
Kingdom will in future be forwarded
from Hongkong in bags and the Public
are therefore advised to pack such parcels
very carefully.

Letters franked at the 4 cents rate
addressed to Yunfu and Mengze and
other places in the Province of Yunnan
should be superscribed with the words
"For delivery by the Chinese Post Office."

Until further notice parcels for civil
addresses in the provinces of Utsun,
Vicenza, Treviso, Padua, Venice and
Belluno in Italy will not be accepted for
transmission unless posted under the
British War Office Permit.

The Parcel Post Service to British East
Africa and Egypt (except for members
of the Expeditionary Forces), and to
Abyssinia, Bagdad, Enihra, French
Somali Coast, Italian Somaliland, Portu-
guese East Africa, Zanzibar and Russia
have been suspended.

The charge for customs duty on type
samples of unmanufactured tobacco not
exceeding 500 in gross weight, and on
samples of spirits (except for fumed
spirits) not exceeding 12 oct. in gross
weight imported into the United King-
dom by post has now been increased to
25/5d and 15/4d respectively.

The importation by post into Japan of
foreign rice, except such as may be
imported by the Minister of Agriculture
and Commerce and the persons designated
by him, is prohibited.

This prohibition is applicable to
rice imported into Taiwan (Formosa) and
Karabuto (Japanese Saghalien).

From the 1st May 1918 there will be
three General delivery days from the
District Post Office except on Sunday
and Holidays when there will be one
delivery only.

The hours of delivery will be as
follows:—Week days 9 a.m. 1 p.m. and
5 p.m.
Sundays and Holidays noon.

The importation into the Common-
wealth of Australia of tea, other than
that grown or produced in British Posses-
sions is prohibited, unless the consent in
writing of the Commonwealth Minister
for Trade and Customs has been first
obtained.

Telegraphic information has been
received from London that packets of
Sugar not exceeding one pound in weight
may still be sent by parcel post to the
United Kingdom and that such pack-
ets are admitted to the United Kingdom free
of import licence or customs duty.

The Director General of Posts and
Telegraphs, India, advises that:—"The
Parcel Post Service to the Indian Civil
Postal Agencies at Abul Khasib, Amara,
Bagdad, Basra, Bussra City, Fao, Kut,
Nasiriyah, Qalut Saleh, Suk-ah-Sheikh and
Zubair in Mesopotamia is suspended,
and that piece-goods, haberdashery and
similar articles, except those intended
for the personal use of the addressee and
not for sale, cannot be sent to those
offices or to Abadan, Ahwas or Moham-
meh in the Persian Gulf, and that such
articles if received will not be delivered
and will be liable to confiscation."

On 1st September, 1918, the rates of
postage chargeable in India on letters for
all places above 1 to which the rate of 1
anna per ounce was previously applicable
was raised to 1 1/2 annas for the 8 at ounce
and 1 anna for each additional ounce.

The postage on letters to Naval and
Military addresses was not raised.

Registered and Parcel Mail's close 15
minutes earlier than the time given below
unless otherwise stated.

In the case of Mail's closing before 9
a.m. Registration closes at 5 o'clock on
the previous evening.

The insured letter and insured parcel
services between Egypt (or in transit
through Egypt) and Cyprus are tempo-
rarily suspended.

OUTWARD MAILS.

TO-MORROW.

Saigon—5th Oct. 8 a.m.

Swatow, Amoy and Foochow—5th Oct.
Noon.

Saigon—5th Oct. 1 p.m.

Formosa via Keelung—5th Oct. 2 p.m.

Shanghai and North China—5th Oct.
2 p.m.

Java & Port Moresby via Batavia—5th
Oct. 3 p.m.

Fort Bayard—5th Oct. 5 p.m.

SUNDAY, 6th October.

Chefoo & Tientsin—6th Oct. 9 a.m.

Swatow—6th Oct. 9 a.m.

MONDAY, 7th October.

Chefoo & Tientsin—7th Oct. 5 p.m.

TUESDAY, 8th October.

Shanghai and North China—8th Oct.
Noon.

Swatow, Amoy and Foochow—8th Oct.
1 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, 9th October.

Shanghai, N. China, Japan via Moji,
Canada, United States, Cen-
tral & S. America & Europe
via Vancouver—9th Oct. Regis-
tration 9.45 a.m. Letters
10.30 a.m.

THURSDAY, 10th October.

Shanghai and North China—10th Oct.
Noon.

FRIDAY, 11th October.

Philippine Islands—11th Oct. 5 p.m.

WEATHER REPORT.

October 4d. 10h. 55m.—Warning to
Hongkong, Coast Ports, Formosa, &c.—
Typhoon in Lat. 21° N. Long. 125° E.
moving N.W. at 8 to 12 m.p.h.

October 4th 10h. 00m.—No returns
from Japan, Vladivostok and Indo-
China. Pressure has increased slightly
over the Philippines, decreased consider-
ably over Formosa, and decreased slightly
elsewhere; it remains highest over N.
China.

Hongkong Rainfall for the 24 hours
ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.00 inches
Total since January 1st 96.34 inches
against an average of 76.77 inches.

FORECAST FOR THE 24 HOURS
ENDING AT NOON TO-MORROW.

District. Forecast.

Hongkong to Gap Road. N. winds,
moderate; fine.

Formosa Channel. N. winds,
strong.

South coast of China be-
tween H.K. and Lamook. The same
as No. 1.

South coast of China be-
tween H.K. and Hainan. The same
as No. 1.

China Coast Meteorological Register.
Oct. 4, a.m.

Station.	Hour.	Barometer.	Temperature.	Humidity.	Winds.	Weather.
Vostock	6a					
Nemuro	5a					
Hakodate						
Kochi						
Nagasaki						
Kagima						
Osaka						
Naha						
Shanghai						
Wanghai	6a	29.95	78	87	sw	3c
Shanghai						
Shanghai		29.97	57	93	nsw	1b
Shanghai		29.93	51	70	n	4c
Shanghai		29.93	74	76	n	2c
Amoy		29.93	76	73	ene	4c
Swatow		29.72	76	73	sw	1b
Swatow	5a	29.67	74	98	e	4r
Daichu		29.50	72	n	4c	
Tainan		29.41	73	n	4c	
Koshun		29.55	73	n	19c	
Shanghai	6a	29.93	67	63	n	2b
Shanghai		29.76	74	48	n	1b
Shanghai		29.76	63	69	n	2b
Shanghai		29.78	63	69	n	2b
Shanghai						
Shanghai		29.58	73	88	0c	
Shanghai		29.63	79	83	sw	2c
Shanghai		29.74	79	89	s	2c
Shanghai		29.76	75	sw	4c	
Shanghai		4.20	29.78	78	sw	2c
Shanghai		6	29.77	78	sw	2c

C. W. JEFFRIES, Chief Assistant,
Hongkong Observatory, Oct. 4, 1918.

1 Barometer, reduced to 32 degrees
Fahrenheit on the level of the sea in in-
ches, tenths and hundredths.

2 Temperature, in the shade, in degrees
Fahrenheit.

3 Humidity, in percentage of saturation
the humidity of air saturated with mois-
ture being 100.

4 Direction of Wind, to two points.

5 Force of Wind, according to Beaufort
Scale.

State of Weather, b blue sky, c de-
clouded, d drizzle, e overcast, f fog,
g heavy rain, h light rain, i overcast,
j passing shower, k squally, l rain, m snow,
n thunder, v visibility, w gale wet.

W. F. CLAXTON, Director.

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ENTERTAINMENTS.

VICTORIA THEATRE.

October 3rd, 4th and 5th 1918.

9.15 P.M. PERFORMANCE

"THE HIDDEN HAND"

Episodes 7 and 8.

WIFFLES

in a great two-part Comedy

"THE RECALCITRANT BRIDE."

British Gazette No. 468.

Etc., Etc.

A STORMY MEETING.

The Shanghai Cotton
Manufacturing Co., Ltd.

There was rather a heated dis-
cussion at the tenth annual
general meeting of the Shanghai
Cotton Manufacturing Co., Ltd.,
held on September 26 at the board
room of Messrs. Mitsui Bussan
Kaisha, Ltd., agents, there being
present the full board of directors
comprising Messrs. T. Hayashi
(Chairman), W. J. N. Deer, J.
Prentice, D. Hatabu, and Horatio
Robertson, and a large number
of shareholders, mostly Japanese,
28,434 shares being represented.

After the Chairman's speech,
an inquiry was made by Mr.
Morris relative to the number of
spindles now in operation, Mr.
Hatabu replying that the Board
were unable to state when the
full plant would be in operation,
but that 30,000 spinning frames
had arrived, of which half would
be working before the close of the
year. It must be borne in mind,
Mr. Hatabu said, that operators
here must be trained in batches,
and it would be some time before
a skilled staff were developed.

After a word with the Chair-
man, Mr. Horatio Robertson
stated that he might throw some
enlightenment on the question of
machinery and reminded the
shareholders that at the meeting
in 1914 they had been asked to
subscribe Tls. 1,000,000 for new
machinery and were then pro-
mised by the Board that the mill
would be equipped in a manner
superior to anything they had had
before. The shareholders were
loyal, they paid up to a man,
some over-subscribing. There
were delays over the
erection of the new mill;

that the speaker would pass over;
what concerned him was the
machinery then ordered. The
Board had assured shareholders
that the new mill would be ready
and in working order in 1915,
again in 1916, certainly by the
beginning of the 1916-17 year.
In 1915 the shareholders had been
told from the directors' table—
the speaker himself was a director
—that all machinery had been
ordered. They were told the
same thing in 1916, in 1917, and
were told it to-day, that the
machinery would come. Is it not
a fact, Mr. Chairman, Mr. Robert-
son asked, that to obtain
information as to the machinery,
a telegram was sent by the
Board to the manufacturers in
England? What was the con-
tents of the reply? I have not
yet got to the bottom of that
telegram, but I have an inkling
and—

Mr. Gulland asked if the
information Mr. Robertson was
about to give away now was
known to him a year ago; was it
available to Mr. Robertson a year
ago? If it was concealed, then
Mr. Robertson was equally
responsible with the other
directors.

He raised some remarks by
Mr. Robertson in which others
joined, several talking at the same
time, and response being over the
board room, shareholders expect-
ing some interesting revelations,
when the Chairman put an
etopoeal on the discourse by re-
marking "All this is not necessary
now."

Mr. Robertson—It is very
necessary.

Mr. Gulland—If very necessary,
why not last year?

Mr. Robertson—If the Chair-
man will allow me. We have in
mind to have every consideration

the mill machinery dated 1916,
1917, 1918; what I want to know
is where is the machinery for
1914 and 1915? I know I am
about to be shamed if this Board
and—

Mr. Burritt—This discussion
has reached an unseemly con-
dition. Mr. Robertson seems to
have quarrelled with the rest of
the Board. If the information he
now wishes to divulge was avail-
able before, and was not given,
Mr. Robertson himself is to blame.

By an overwhelming show of
hands it was voted to discontinue
the discussion, after which Mr.
Robertson said that, as a resolu-
tion was to be proposed to shelve
him off the Board, he would ask
again "Where is that machinery?"

The report and statement of
accounts was passed on the pro-
posal of the Chairman seconded
by Mr. Prentice, and Mr. Hayashi
was re-elected managing director
on the proposal of Mr. Hatabu
seconded by Mr. Dyer.

A resolution was then intro-
duced by Mr. Prentice, seconded
by Mr. Dyer, to re-elect Mr.
Robertson to the board, Mr.
Prentice saying that there had
been no split in the directorate as
intimated by Mr. Burritt; Mr.
Burritt replying that what Mr.
Robertson had said about being
"shoved off" made it perfectly
obvious there was a split. The
resolution was lost.

A substitute resolution was
then introduced by Mr. Gulland,
duly seconded, electing Mr. Henry
E. Morris a director, after which
Messrs. G. H. & N. Thomson
were re-elected auditors, their fee
being raised from Tls. 750 to Tls.
1,250 annually, this being pro-
posed by Mr. Yokotaki seconded
Mr. Katsuki.

A bonus to the permanent staff,
left to the discretion of the board,
was passed on the proposal of Mr.
Prentice seconded by Mr. Morris.
Mr. Robertson here attempted
some remarks to the